

LEWIS COUNTY REPUBLICAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

R E S O L U T I O N

THAT WHEREAS proposed Initiative 199 has been filed with the Secretary of State, and  
WHEREAS Initiative 199 would concentrate control of the Legislature in the big Cities of the State, and

WHEREAS it is a time honored and essential principle in both the Federal Government and in the vast majority of the States of the United States that one house of a bi-cameral legislature should be chosen with emphasis on population and the other House chosen with emphasis on area and natural resources, and

WHEREAS this system of checks and balances has contributed to making the American System the envy of the world, and

WHEREAS proposed Initiative 199 ignores this basic principle of Government, and

WHEREAS the great problems of Washington, including roads, schools and institutions, are located all over the State and only in small measure in the centers of population, and

WHEREAS legislators from the rural and natural resource areas have vastly more work and responsibility to their districts than those from dense areas, and

WHEREAS 199 would be extremely detrimental to the farmer, to schools, to roads, and to public institutions, and

WHEREAS many people in the City areas are opposed to 199 for the reasons herein set forth, and

WHEREAS 199 is poorly drawn with respect to district boundaries,

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Lewis County Republican Central Committee that every effort should be made to discourage people from signing the petitions for 199 and every effort made for its ultimate defeat.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that wide distribution be given to this Resolution.

ADOPTED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1956

(Signed) Louis A. Vimont

Chairman

(Signed) Dixie R. Alexander

Secretary